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SUBJECT: AMERICAN C-130 CREWS TO LEBANON

A. KHARTOUM 1580; B. BEIRUT 2040

1. DEPARTMENT IS CURRENTLY REVIEWING LEGAL AND POLICY
QUESTIONS RAISED BY INVOLVEMENT OF AMERICAN EMPLOYEES OF
LOCKHEED IN SAF C-130 FLIGHTS TO LEBANON IN SUPPORT OF
ADF (REF A). A RELEVANT LEGAL QUESTION IS WHETHER THESE
MISSIONS WOULD IMPLICATE THE AMERICAN PERSONNEL IN THE
SUPPORT OF AN ELEMENT INVOLVED IN ARMED CONFLICT.

2. IN ORDER TO ASSIST THE DEPARTMENT IN MAKING A DETER-
MINATION IN THIS CASE, WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION
ON THE FUNCTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES SUCH AMERICANS MIGHT
BE EXPECTED TO PERFORM ON THESE MISSIONS. WHAT IS THE
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NATURE OF THESE MISSIONS AND WHAT TYPES OF CARGO WILL BE
TRANSPORTED? WOULD THE AIRCRAFT BE OPERATING IN ANY OTHER
AREAS OF LEBANON OTHER THAN BEIRUT? WHAT IS THE LOCAL
LOCKHEED REPRESENTATIVE'S VIEW OF PARTICIPATING IN THESE
MISSIONS?

3. PLEASE ADVISE.

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